

OCTOBER 2008



MOUNDS STATE PARK

4306 Mounds Road, Anderson IN 46017 (765) 649-8128 or (765) 642-6627 Interpretive Naturalists: Angie Manuel, Steve Thompson, Reed Stiller DNR website: www.interpretiveservices.in.gov

INTERPRETIVE CENTER HOURS: Monday-Saturday 9-4pm, Sunday 11-4pm

PLEASE NOTE: Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee. All programs begin promptly at scheduled times.

PROGRAM LOCATIONS: VC–Visitor Center **VCP**–Visitor Center Porch **CG** – Campground

Showers. The public is encouraged to attend **Campground** programs. Park at the

Campground Entrance and then walk up to the shower building.

HP/HP – Healthy Parks, Healthy People. These programs highlight our quest for a healthy forest with healthy wildlife; and/or promote a healthy lifestyle through walking and hiking.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

<u>11:00am - TREE ID HIKE</u>- Need to collect and identify leaves for your school project? Learn how to identify common Indiana trees during this hike. **VCP - HP/HP**

<u>2:00pm – FLOWERS IN FALL?</u> – Believe it or not, there are flowers that bloom in fall. Venture into the woods and discover these beautiful buds. **VCP – HP/HP**

<u>4:00pm – PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST AWARD SHOW</u>- Join us as we display beautiful photographs taken right here at Mounds State Park. We'll award prizes to all contestants and enjoy delicious treats at this art show. **VC**

<u>7:00pm – EIGHT-LEGGED ARTISTS</u> – Spiders are accomplished hunters and beautiful silk spinners. Discover these amazing creatures during this dusk hike. Bring a small flashlight. **CG-HP/HP**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

<u>2:00pm- MYSTERIES OF THE MOUNDS</u>- Stroll into our prehistoric past on this easy hike. Discover the who, when, why, and how the mounds were built. **VCP- HP/HP**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

<u>8:00am – BREAKFAST WITH THE BIRDS</u> – Join us for coffee and donuts as we watch for birds at the wildlife window. Birds are beginning their winter migrations, so we'll take a short hike afterwards to look for these temporary Hoosier flyers. Bring binoculars if you have them. **VC- HP/HP**

<u>11:00am-SQUIRREL</u>, <u>CHIPMUNKS</u>, <u>AND MICE</u>, <u>OH MY!</u> – Furry critters are preparing for winter. Discover what it takes to live comfortably through an Indiana winter. **VC**

<u>2:30pm- TREE ID HIKE</u>- Need to collect and identify leaves for your school project? Learn how to identify common Indiana trees during this hike. **VCP – HP/HP**

<u>7:30pm-REPTILE REFUGE</u>- Where do snakes, turtles, and lizards go for the winter? Get up-close and personal during this live animal program. **Campsite #3**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

2:00pm-BEAVER TALES – Busy as beaver they say, and fall is no different. In fact, beavers are working harder than ever to prepare for winter. **VC**

KIDS FALL FUNFEST WEEKEND

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

<u>7:00pm-9:00pm- SPOOKY CRITTERS TRAIL</u> — Join us for this kid-friendly stroll through the woods on an illuminated trail. Discover some of the not-so-scary woodland animals here at Mounds State Park. ***Hikes are led in 30 minute intervals — 7:00,7:30,8:00,8:30. **VCP**

<u>6:30pm & 7:30pm- HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS</u> – Kids of all ages will enjoy this candlelight tour of the Bronnenberg house. Step back in time and listen to stories about this famous family and some of the unexplained happenings at the house. **Bronnenberg House**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

<u>11:30am-2:30pm-KID'S FALL FUNFEST</u> – Enjoy games, activities, and crafts. Spider toss, pumpkin bowling, Jack-o-lantern shoot out, and more. Come hungry too, because we'll have cider, popcorn, and caramel apples for sale. **Pavilion**

<u>3:00-4:00pm-TRICK OR TREATING</u>— Get your costume ready and take a tour of the *campground* for safe and fun trick or treating. Open to the public - parking is available near the campground store.

7:00pm-CAMPSITE DECORATING CONTEST- Judges will tour the campground and evaluate your creations. Participants can join us at 7:45pm at Campsite #3 when we'll declare the winners and handout prizes.

8:00pm-"O"MAZING OWLS - Have you ever heard a hoot at night and wondered "whooo" made that noise? Discover the wonderful world of Indiana owls on this night hike. CG- HP/HP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19



2:00pm-PUMPKIN CARVING- Join us for some fun fall pumpkin carving. Participants can bring their own pumpkin, but we'll have some donated pumpkins to give out as well (supplies are limited.) We'll supply the stencil, tools, and a baggie so you can take home the seeds. **VC**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

7:00pm-10:00pm- HAUNTED HAYRIDE & TRAIL- Join us for a frightfully good time! You may have walked these trails in the daylight, but be prepared to experience them like never before. A Haunted Hayride will take you into the darkest woods and down the spookiest trail. Children under 16 must be accompanied by parent. This is a HAUNTED EVENT and not recommended for young children - Parents, please use your best judgment. Cost is \$4/person. Event begins and ends in the Pool Parking Lot. EVENT CO-SPONSORS- Proceeds benefit Saint John's Hospital Missions Services; Highland High School French Club Trip Cost to France 2009; and Boy Scouts of America Venturing Crew 208 Scuba Training and Expedition.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

<u>2:00pm- GOING BATTY</u>- "They'll get in my hair!" Learn the truth and the myths about bats by playing some fun games and activities. **VC**

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